

Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council Committee of the Whole
meeting of December 1, 2021

Subject: 2022-2025 TIP Amendment: Hennepin County Signal Revisions and Pedestrian Improvements

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2022-2025 TIP to remove planned improvements at the CSAH 35 (Portland Avenue) intersection with American Boulevard in Richfield.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Motion by Cummings, seconded by Fredson. Motion carried, **consent** to Council.

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Meeting date: November 8, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 10, 2021

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District(s), Member(s): 5 – Cummings

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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Division/Department: Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

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Background

Hennepin County was awarded \$846,000 as part of the 2018 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) solicitation to fund signal improvements and pedestrian improvements at six intersections:

- CSAH 35 (Portland Avenue) and
 - American Boulevard
 - 86th Street
 - 90th Street
 - CSAH 1 (98th Street)
- CSAH 52 and
 - 70th Street
 - 76th Street

The proposed scope change would construct the intersection improvements at the remaining five intersections and remove the planned improvements at CSAH 35 and American Blvd to be constructed as part of another project, leaving the full project intact once all projects are completed.

The request includes a cost increase, entirely covered by Hennepin County.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The projects are consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meet fiscal constraint because the federal, state, and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the projects are exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes *stewardship* by allowing part of the project to be completed alongside another effort.

Funding

The project is fully funded with federal and local funds.



Small Business Inclusion

This project includes federal funding. Therefore, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements will apply.

Known Support / Opposition

This proposed action was reviewed and recommended by the Transportation Advisory Board. No known opposition.

Please amend the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change this project in program year 2022. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Seq #	State Fiscal Year	ATP / Dist	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description
TBD	2022	M	CSAH 35	027-635-038	Hennepin County	On CSAH 35 (Portland Ave) from 98th St E to American Blvd 86th St. E. in Bloomington and on CSAH 52 (Nicollet Ave) from 76th St E to 70th St E in Richfield – Signal revisions and pedestrian improvement

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	Other \$
0.0	SH	Traffic Signal Revision	HSIP	1,015,200 1,650,000	846,000	169,200 804,000

PROJECT BACKGROUND:

1. Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., project in previous TIP but not completed; illustrative project and funds now available; discretionary funds received; inadvertently not included in TIP).

This amendment is needed to update the project description and costs. Changes are the result of a pending Met Council Scope Change.

2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?
 - New Money
 - Anticipated Advance Construction
 - ATP or MPO or MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects
 - Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
 - Other **X**

No additional federal funds are being added to the project, therefore fiscal constraint is maintained.

CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on November 18, 2020 with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on December 4, 2020.

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

- Subject to conformity determination
- Exempt from regional level analysis **X**
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)

*Exempt Project Category AQ-2. Bicycle and pedestrian facilities per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.